

of themselves. With General Palmer, self was the secondary consideration always; his thought was to build up a great state, to establish enterprises that would give thousands of poor men employment, so that, while he made a fortune in his work, that was of secondary importance to him, for the real thought of his life was that this human life of ours is but a trust to be accounted for, and that the way to serve God was to serve God's poor and wipe away as many tears from human eyes as possible, to remove from the path of the poor as many thorns and sharp stones as possible.

When his work culminated and old age came on, he disposed of his interests, then in one day he gave away a million dollars of the profits of his work, to the faithful men who had served under him and, as before, so since, his path has been lined with charities.

He was high-minded; his judgment was as clear as crystal; he could mark out an enterprise and, with a prescience superb, figure out in advance what the results of such an enterprise, if carried through, would be. And so he has been serving the state and his fellow men through all these years and goes down to the grave covered with honors.

Colorado never lost so valuable a citizen as he has been; the United States never had a more valuable man in the usual acceptance of that term, for he was a patriot who held his life as nothing if his country needed it; who had an honest pride to make the community where he lived richer and stronger and happier.

He filled every duty of a citizen to the end, and the loss of such a man is what the loss of a great general is in a battle, what the loss of the master is when a great ship is laboring in the piled up billows and the gale.

Peace to the great man's sleep and, for the youth of America, the study of his life is one of the most valuable they can pursue, for there the story is told how a strong man, out of nothing wrought a fortune, and while accumulating that fortune was a providence to all those who were near him; who lived a life without reproach; who triumphed in all he undertook, and whose grave will, for all time to come, be a sacred one in the state of his adoption.

### Lead and the Tariff

**T**HE TARIFF is under revision in Washington. Do our mining men realize the importance of seeing to it that the truth about lead mining should be understood there?

That Mexico has unlimited amounts of lead as a by-product of her gold and silver mines?

That her gold and silver are worth as much as ours?

That it will be mined even if the lead is practically thrown away?

That miners' wages in Mexico are 35 cents per day in American money?

That with many of our mines lead is the chief product and gold and silver are by-products?

That the abolition of the tariff or the reduction of it would be followed by wide-spread disaster to our whole mining region?

Is it not worth while to send a gentleman to Washington who can make the above facts clear to the average congressman?

### Congress

**T**HE extra session of Congress met on Monday and Speaker Cannon was for the fourth time elected speaker of the House, though not without a sharp contest over the rules and some bad blood.

The President sent his message in on Tuesday, a brief, plain statement of the necessity for the call of the extra session, and urging as speedy a revision of the tariff as compatible with

the importance of the work. He further, renewed, indirectly, his plea for an inheritance law.

Congress then adjourned for three days, evidently to better adjust matters in the House and to give the ways and means time to be ready to report. The danger now is that the revision will be rushed through without the entire measure receiving the consideration due to a subject so important.

### Spring is Coming

**T**HE ground-hog has come out again, the first robbers have been trilling for a week past, the first house-fly has put in an appearance, and fresh eggs are falling in the market. All these are symptoms of approaching spring, and while there will come many storms yet, while we are bound to have some high winds while the snow lies so low on the mountains; the back-bone of the winter is surely broken, and it is time for cleaning up the premises, time to prune the trees and to plant the flowers that are to gladden the eyes of the veterans when they come, with their blooms. The winding sheet of the winter is being unwound, the mated birds will soon be making their nests, and the hearts of men should be growing glad.

### Outrageous

**T**HE arrest of a prominent gentleman on the statement of a self-confessed, vicious hoodlum of a girl and the publishing of all her charges in a daily paper, we think, was as shameful a proceeding as we ever heard of, even in Salt Lake City. But that paper has been filled with shameful publications for many years. The character of the woman was and is perfectly known to the juvenile court; had the court done its duty it would have notified the family of the gentleman in whose house she found temporary quarters; but instead of that, as soon as she was returned to the juvenile court, the parade was made which was calculated to inflict a thousand heart-burnings on that same family, the object being, of course, to cast disgrace upon the gentleman himself.

We do not believe it would ever have found the light had not that gentleman been the counsel when Chief Sheets was assailed by the Deseret News, and a whole conspiracy of characterless officers, backed only by the testimony of men whose word no court or jury would believe unless corroborated. We are as confident as we are that we are alive that, except for that episode, the statement published broadcast in the News, could not have been gotten into the News for love or money, because the gentleman himself is a Latter-day Saint in good standing, and that the News, which has condoned, or defended, or excused every crime charged against Mormons for a half century should publish this about an elder in the church, is clear evidence that the purpose was not to vindicate justice at all, but to punish him for doing his duty in his profession.

Nothing meaner or more contemptible has been brought to light in this city in the last year.

A patronizing young lord was seated opposite the late James McNeill Whistler at dinner one evening. During a lull in the conversation he adjusted his monocle and leaned forward toward the artist. "Aw, y' know, Mr. Whistler," he drawled, "I pahssed your house this mawning." "Thank you," said Whistler quietly. "Thank you very much."

The Artist's Wife (in a whisper)—There's some one knocking, Jack. Shall I open the door? The Artist—Oh; it's Jabber's knock. It's a special knock I gave him, so I wouldn't let him in by mistake.—Life.

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